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SUBJ: WORKING GROUP ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

SUB-GROUP III - REPORT #4

1. THURSDAY'S SESSIONS FOCUSED PRINCIPALLY ON COMMENTS AND RESPONSES TO US PROPOSALS WITH LITTLE FURTHER DISCUSSION OF LA ACTION PROGRAMS OR LA COUNTRY PAPERS. MOST LATIN "PROPOSALS" ARE EITHER FOR USG UNILATERAL ACTION OR FOR LAS INDIVIDUAL OR REGIONAL ACTION RATHER THAN FOR JOINT INTER-AMERICAN ACTION.

2. ON ELIMINATION OF RESTRICTIVE PRACTICES, AFTER PROLONGED DEBATE, FOLLOWING LEAD PARAGRAPH DEVELOPED: "THE SUB-GROUP RECOGNIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF ELIMINATING RESTRICTIVE BUSINESS PRACTICES IN THE TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY THAT CAN CREATE INEQUITIES IN THE RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN THE TECHNOLOGY-SUPPLYING AND TECHNOLOGY-RECEIVING FIRMS OR CONSTRAIN THE FREEDOM OF ACTION OF THE RECEIVING FIRM OR OTHERWISE ACT AGAINST THE PUBLIC INTEREST AND RECOMMENDS THAT EFFECTIVE MEASURES BE ADOPTED FOR THE ACHIEVEMENT OF THIS END. THE SUB-GROUP IDENTIFIED, UNCLASSIFIED

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INTER ALIA, THE FOLLOWING RESTRICTIVE PRACTICES:". PARAGRAPH

FOLLOWED BY LIST OF 21 ITEMS BASED ON COMBINED LA SUGGESTIONS.

3. TEXT OF MINIMUM NORMS FOR TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER INTRODUCED BY A FEW LA REPS WILL BE INCORPORATED IN SUB-GROUP II RESULTS ONLY AS LA SUGGESTION TO BE EXAMINED BY ALL AND RESPONDED TO AT WG MEETING. BESIDES US, BRAZIL ALSO NOTED SOME PROBLEMS WITH SEVERAL ITEMS OF LIST.

4. DRAFTING GROUP ATTEMPTING TO COMBINE USDEL PROPOSAL ON PATENT DOCUMENTATION AND SERVICE CENTERS WITH SOME LATIN VIEWS ON TECHNOLOGY INFO CENTERS.

5. LATINS PASSED OVER USDEL SUGGESTION TO EXPLORE USE OF RECIPROCAL TAX TREATIES AS BUSINESS INFO MECHANISM WITHOUT SERIOUS DISCUSSION AND RESPONSE.

6. THE TOTAL OUTCOME IN A REPORT SENSE OF THE MEETING IS STILL SOMEWHAT OBSCURE. USDEL NOT YET SURE HOW EARLIER DISCUSSIONS OF DOCUMENT #2 WILL BE INCORPORATED OR LIKELY OUTCOME OF USDEL SUGGESTION OF EXPERT GROUP TO CONTINUE DEVELOPMENT OF PRINCIPLES FOR TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER.

7. GRANGER PLANS RETURN WASHINGTON SUNDAY EVENING. FISHER UNQUOTE. KISSINGER

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